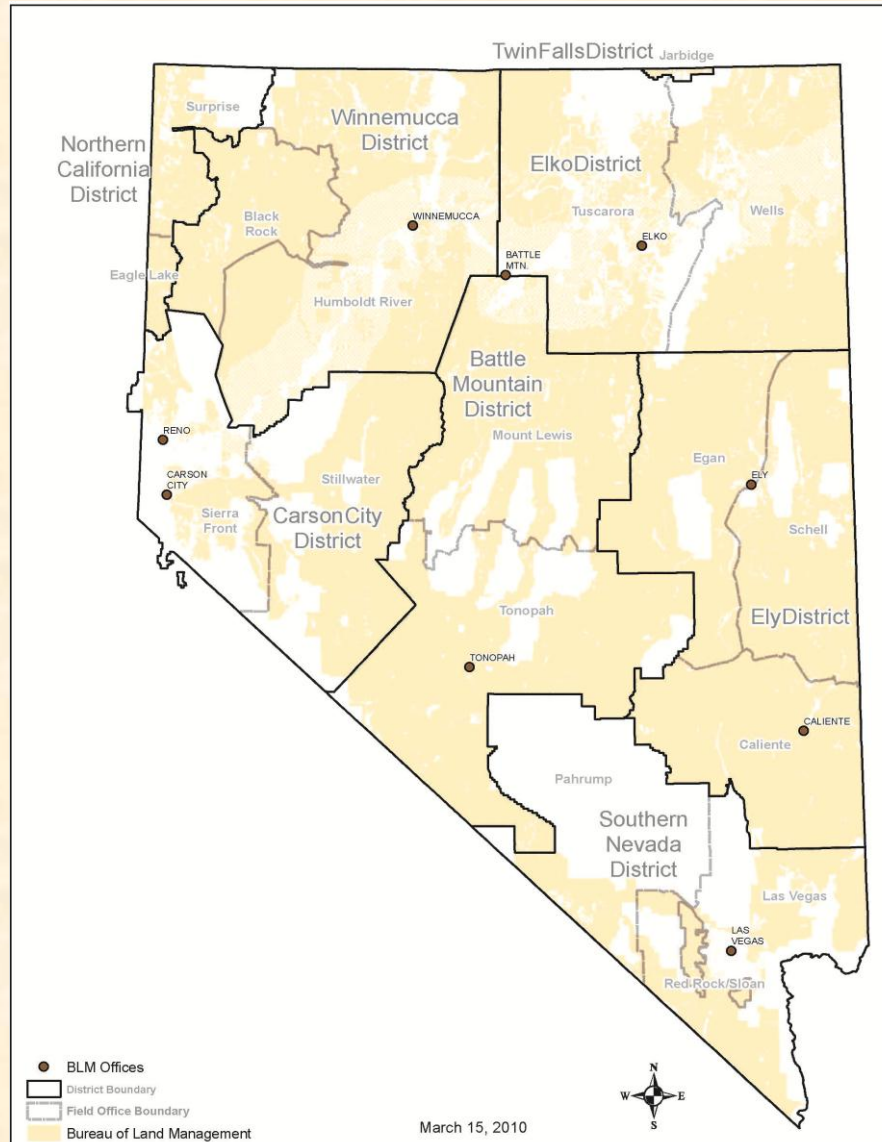
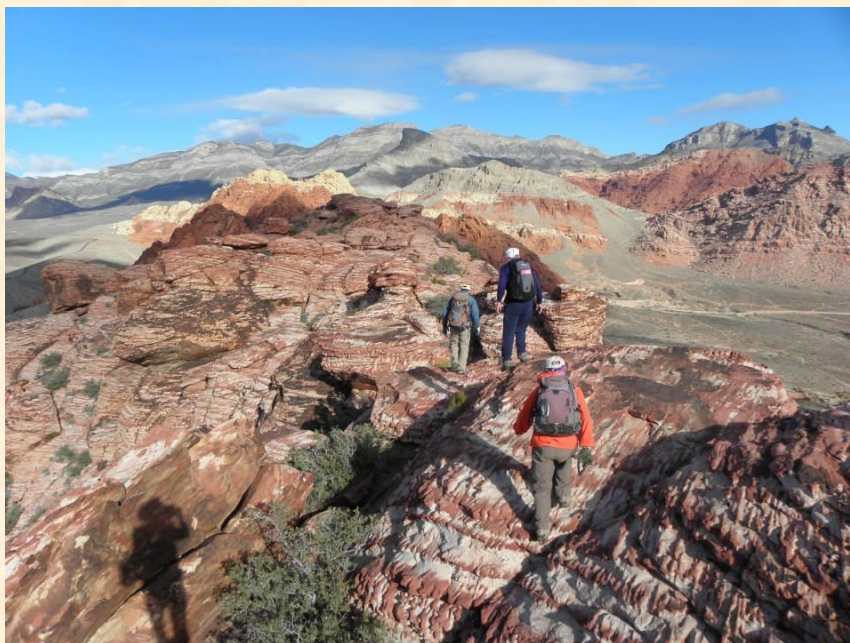


2015 Tri-RAC Nevada State Director Presentation



2015 Goals

- Maintain Healthy Landscapes
- Improve our organization and workforce
- Improve business practices
- Be a good neighbor



Maintain Healthy Landscapes

- Sage grouse
- Drought
- Desert Tortoise
- Resource Management Planning



Maintain Healthy Landscapes

- Sage grouse
 - Ensure actions on public lands maintain or enhance sage grouse habitat
 - Develop partnerships with affected stakeholders to ensure habitat conservation and restoration, planning, monitoring and communications
 - Use all appropriate funding sources to develop and implement landscape scale projects to enhance sage brush ecosystems



Maintain Healthy Landscapes

- Greater Sage grouse
 - Complete the planning effort
 - Develop an implementation plan, budget strategy and regional governance structure to address challenges associated with implementation.
- Bi-state Sage Grouse
 - Amend Carson City District and Tonopah Field Office RMPs
 - Continue to work with the Local Area Working Group



Maintain Healthy Landscapes

- Drought
 - Conducting Drought Management Review aimed at:
 - Identifying and addressing policy shortfalls
 - Developing best management practices to improve the sustainability of resources during and after drought
- Continue to adapt to extended drought conditions.



Maintain Healthy Landscapes

- Desert Tortoise

- Continue to work with partners and the public to balance the needs to the desert tortoise with growth of desert communities
- Ensure our actions maintain or enhance habitat connectivity
- Restore desert tortoise habitat at a landscape scale



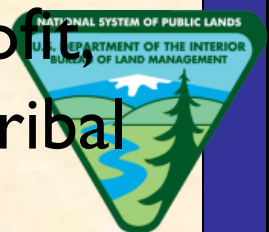
Maintain Healthy Landscapes

- Resource Management Planning
 - Carson City draft RMP is currently out for comment until March 27, 2015
 - Las Vegas draft RMP is currently out for comment until March 9, 2015
 - Winnemucca RMP ROD and NOA are expected in 2015.



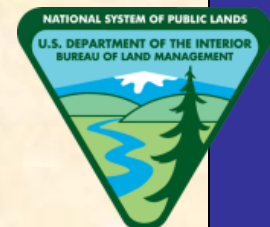
Improve Organization and Workforce

- Commitment to Youth Engagement
 - Engage 15-25 year old Americans, including low income and disadvantaged youth, as well as veterans up to age 35 in compensated work and service
 - Complete projects for public benefit while providing participants with job skills, training, education and professional development
 - Operate through partnerships with non-profit, higher education institutions, local, state, tribal and federal conservation corps.



Improve Organization and Workforce

- Commitment to Youth Engagement, continued
 - Operate through partnerships with non-profit, higher education institutions, local, state, tribal and federal conservation corps.
 - Provide professional and personal development and training to move into stewardship careers and become lifelong supporters of our nation's natural and cultural treasures.



Improve Business Practices

- Permitting
 - Mining
 - Continue to use the results of the Mine Permitting Review Team's work to increase our capacity to timely implement mine permitting.
 - Continue to facilitate the establishment of a Nevada Blanket Purchase Agreement with an emphasis on expediting mining permitting.
 - Work with the Nevada Mining Association to provide a response/ position in regard to proposed rules for final disposition of pit lakes on Federal lands.



Improve Business Practices

- Permitting
 - Grazing
 - New era for grazing permit renewals
 - Stand up of Grazing Permit Renewal Team



Renewable Energy

- Nevada has five SEZs totaling 60,395 acres with the potential for approximately 6,700 megawatts (MW).
- SEZ Auction raised \$5.8 million
- Environmental Assessments for first projects under Western Solar Plan completed in record time, less than 6 months
- Expansion of McGinness Hills Geothermal Project



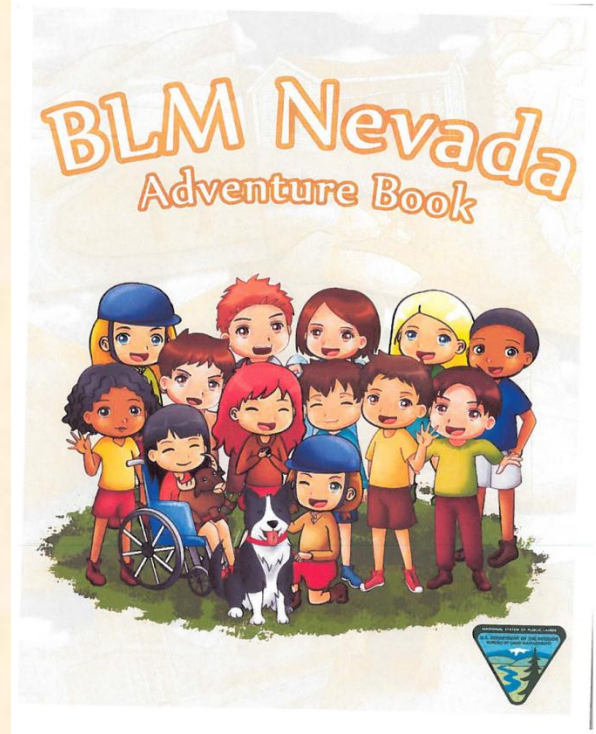
Be a Good Neighbor

- Tribes, local government and stakeholders
- Neighbors and neighboring states
- Elected officials
- Partnerships
- Communities



Nevada 150th

- Adventure Book
 - Being shared in schools by Friends of NV wilderness, Sierra NV Journeys and the NV Outdoor School
 - Kids who complete the activities and sign the Junior Explorer pledge get a BLM Nevada Junior Explorer badge



Nevada 150th

- Geocache

- Six sites highlighting unique features on each district
- Locations include Grimes Point, Rhyolite, California Trail Center, Parsnip Peak Wilderness, Water Canyon and Sloan Canyon NCA
- The “First to Find” each site received a limited edition coin. The first 10 people to find all the sites will receive a NV150 Copper Medallion



Nevada 150th

- Photo Contest
- Calendar- currently at printer



Partnerships

- Artist in Residence
 - Now soliciting for our second year artists
 - Working with the Red Rock Canyon Interpretive Association and Friends of Black Rock-High Rock to sponsor the artists



Partnerships

- 50th Anniversary of the Wilderness Act
 - Worked with many partners including Friends of Nevada Wilderness, Backcountry Horsemen, The Sierra Club and others to organize activities highlighting the anniversary.



Questions?

